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Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs 103-833(B), Blue Granite Water Company (the “Company”) by and through its legal counsel hereby submits this First Set of Interrogatories to the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (the “ORS”). Please forward to the undersigned, via email, your responses to the following interrogatories within twenty (20) days from the date of service:

- 1-1** In the surrebuttal testimony filed by ORS on June 12, 2019, Mr. Schellinger suggests that Mr. Hunter’s proposed 0.55 percent adjustment applied to the purchased water expense is inaccurate due to meter read errors discussed in the Company’s 2017 rate case, for which ORS recommended an adjustment to increase consumption amounts.
- a.** What is the amount of that adjustment as a percentage of the total consumption in gallons for Service Territory 1?
  - b.** Accounting for the percentage adjustment in consumption resulting from (a) above, to what percentage does Mr. Hunter’s 0.55 percent adjustment increase?
  - c.** What is the amount of that adjustment as a percentage of the total consumption in gallons for Service Territory 1 and Service Territory 2, combined?
  - d.** Accounting for the percentage adjustment in consumption resulting from (c) above, to what percentage does Mr. Hunter’s 0.55 percent adjustment increase?

- 1-2 Approximately how many other water or wastewater utilities employ a mechanism to pass through changes in third party providers' rates?
- 1-3 Please list all known water or wastewater utilities that employ a mechanism to pass through changes in third party providers' rates.
- 1-4 What additional information or documentation, if any, does ORS need to audit and verify the rate adjustment proposed by the Company **prior to the merits hearing** in this case?

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.

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